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AL-QUWATLI'S RELEASE RUMORED IN CAIRO

Damascus, in Arabic to Iraq and the Near East, Apr. 20, 1949, 12 noon,
EST--X

(Text)

"It is learned from Cairo that the ARAB NEWS AGENCY has received unconfirmed information that Shukri al-Quwatli will be set free within a week."

TWO AL-HUSAYNI AGENTS FLEE TO CAIRO

Tel Aviv, Vodes of Israel, in Arabic to the Near East, Apr. 21, 1949,
12:45 a.m. EST--X

(Text)

"It is reported from Beirut that two of Haj Amin al-Husayni's assistants succeeded in fleeing from Lebanon to Egypt to avoid being handed over to Transjordan authorities as they were accused of plotting against King Abdullah's life."

"The same source reported that Lebanese police had arrested these two persons. One of them is Haj al-Ghazzi, vice president of the so-called Higher Arab Executive and the other is the private secretary of the former Hajji of Jerusalem. They succeeded in fleeing to Egypt before the time of their extradition to Transjordan."

ASSEM PASHA CONVERS WITH RIAD AL-SULH

Beirut, in Arabic to Lebanon and the Near East, Apr. 20, 1949,
7:00 p.m. EST--X

(Text)

"Riad al-Sulh, Lebanese Premier, today received Assem Pasha, Secretary General of the Arab League. Assem told reporters that the Arab League had not been summoned and no decision has been taken about a meeting. Assem left Beirut for Cairo via Damascus."

SYRIA DENIES DETAINERS MALTREATMENT

Damascus, in Arabic to Syria, Apr. 20, 1949, 7:20 a.m. EST--X

(Text)

"Since rumors are spreading that detained persons are ill-treated, a directive of the press and radio obliged them to warn that all such rumors must stop, otherwise to suffer severe punishment. The Directorate affirms that detainees are well-treated."